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Newsy Notes From Neighboring Towns

GATHERED FROM OUR EXCHANGES

LEBANON.

(From the Times.)

Ruby Short, who has been attending normal at Mankato, returned home Saturday evening.

Billy Wadley brought thirty-six head of hogs to town Saturday, for which he received \$630.

Miss Lizzie Davis, the 31-year-old daughter of Mrs. Ruth Davis of Logan township, was before the probate judge today on a charge of insanity. She has been insane since childhood but only of late she has been considered dangerous. She will shortly be committed to the insane asylum.

FRANKLIN

(From the Sentinel.)

G. R. Chestnut, state representative of the American Yeoman, a fraternal order, is in our city for the purpose of organizing a local homestead here.

Another fine rain, one of the best of the season, visited this section Saturday afternoon. The precipitation seemed to be quite general over the southern half of the county.

Herb Bailey suffered a painful wound this week from the tines of a hay fork. His team was running away and while trying to stop them the fork entered his left hip, making an ugly gash.

Hilsabeck's construction gang are doing themselves proud in the matter of laying cement sidewalks. They are now fulfilling their part of the contract by putting down over 400 feet of four foot walk daily.

BLOOMINGTON

(From the Advocate.)

The Haskell Indians will play ball at this place on the 25th of this month.

A little son of Jas. Purcell one day this week broke his arm and had the same dressed by Dr. Sumner.

One night recently while going home from town Roy Griffin's team was frightened at falling rocks near the bridge and ran away doing considerable damage.

H. C. Rogers, the postmaster at Upland, was one of the lucky number to draw a prize in the Crow reservation drawing. After 2713 men have selected their claims he can have the chance of making a selection.

Len Holmes one day last week went to Franklin to attend lodge and came near having to walk home. He drove his mother's old family horse, and a man from Red Cloud who had lost a horse tried to convince Mr. Holmes that he was driving his horse. The lost horse was six years old while the horse Len drove was several times that old but it did not seem to make any difference.

CAMPBELL

(From the Citizen.)

Miss Ruth Jackson, of Upland has been elected to the position of second primary teacher in the Campbell schools. Two positions are yet to be filled, including the principal.

The only Fourth of July accident so far reported occurred on the evening of the 5th to Dewey Guy, the 8-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Guy, who shot himself in the finger with a blank cartridge. The wound was blown full of powder and paper and was a nasty one, owing to the danger of blood poisoning.

Dr. Artz of Hastings was called in consultation with Dr. Swatslander

Sunday, to perform an operation on Albert Needham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dave Needham, living about ten miles north of Campbell, who was thrown from a horse about two months ago. The fall resulted in breaking the boy's knee cap, and the operation Sunday was for the purpose of wiring the two portions of the fractured bones together to permit its healing.

GUIDE ROCK

(From the News Letter.)

We see that J. H. Cray, of this place drew a homestead allotment in Crow reservation distribution, but as the number is away down the line he will probably never realize on it.

Young Henry Ohmsted had the misfortune to break his arm during the celebration at Superior. A platform on which a number of people were standing, collapsed and in the fall Mr. Ohmsted received his injuries.

As we are making ready for press word comes of the death of Mrs. H. Wichmann, at her home south of the river. The news of her death comes as a shock to everyone who knew the lady, as she had been in ordinary health up to Thursday morning, and her death occurred shortly after noon. Heart failure is the cause assigned.

While W. F. Groves, from near Bostwick was in Guide Rock Friday of last week on business, he received word by telephone that his house had burned down and his wife severely injured while trying to put out the fire and save some of the goods. Mr. Groves immediately started for home and later telephoned J. S. Marsh that his loss was almost total, only a few small articles of furniture being saved. Mrs. Groves was burned about the head and face, but the injuries though painful are not considered dangerous.

MANKATO.

(From the Monitor.)

Buffalo's second base ball team defeated the North Branch team on Mankato's grounds, Sunday. The score was 19 to 15.

The other day Judge McGehee was attacked by a small belonging to Hank Diamond. The conflict was furiously waged for a few moments and the judge was the loser by the scrap.

Bruce Neiswinder's dray team became frightened today, at a big tank in front of Hanna's hardware and with only the tongue and front wheels ran east. The team is small but they made a record breaking dash to their home.

RIVERTON

(From the Review.)

Roy Moffett stepped on some hot iron in front of the blacksmith shop, and received a bad burn on his bare foot.

Wm. Smith was born at Portage Wisconsin, March 10, 1861, and met his death at Riverton on July 1, 1906. After attaining his majority he came west from Wisconsin and followed railroad work. He was married March 20, 1885. After his marriage he followed farming for some time and later moved to Riverton, where he engaged in blacksmithing till the time of his death.

Last Wednesday George Conner and a tramp painter got into a fight and were lodged in jail. Later in the evening Ernie Carpenter was placed in with them; the latter was intoxicated. The trio was left there to sober up. On Thursday morning the painter was turned loose, and by noon Herman

Hancock had made it possible for Ernie to be turned loose, by paying his fine of \$12.50, but George refused to plead guilty to a charge of being drunk and disorderly, and was given a trial at 3 o'clock in the afternoon but was found guilty and fined \$11.25, and as yet has not paid the fine.

SUPERIOR

(From the Journal.)

Julius Harman, an employee of Henningsen Produce Co., met with a very painful accident yesterday. The tongs fell and struck him on the head, cutting a very bad gash.

Miss Una Vance of Guide Rock came in on the Santa Fe and took the B. & M. for home yesterday evening. Miss Vance has been spending a month among the flowering wells of New Mexico.

Two small boys by the name of Logan and Moore did what they thought was a bright trick last Sunday, but which in reality gives them a black eye in the minds of respectable people. They were down at the river dam and while there stole a horse and buggy belonging to Clyde Goodall of Webber. The boys went to Guide Rock to where an uncle of one of the boys lives. This uncle phoned down, inquiring whose rig it was, and learning that it had been stolen, the authorities at once arrested the boys and brought them back to Superior.

SPELLING REFORM.

The Phonetic Phenomena of the Word "Phenix."

They were talking about spelling reform and the idiosyncrasies of English spelling in general.

"There's that very word 'phonetic,'" said one of the men. "That's a sample of English spelling. The reformers call their system the 'phonetic system,' and yet they have to spell 'phonetic' with a 'pho' in order to let people know what they mean. The very word that means 'spelled as pronounced' is as far from it as possible."

"Now, now!" drawled his friend. "You're too hard on the good old English speller. You ought to be proud of 'phonetic.' Why, that word is so trimmed down and sawed off and cut short that I wouldn't know it was English if I met it alone on a blank page. You ought to thank the language for that word. It is a beautiful word. That 'pho' might have been spelled like 'dough' and the 'net' like 'ette' in 'rosette' and the 'ic' like 'liq' in 'liquor.' That would be a good old style English word—phoughnettelq. But it is coming! Phonetic spelling is coming! Look at the word 'phenix.' It is spelled 'phenix' everywhere now, and I remember it always used to be 'phenix.' That 'o' has gone. That shows!"

"Nothing!" said the objector. "What does it show? That the phenix is a bird. Isn't the phenix a bird? Yes! Well, that round thing you say was an 'o' was an egg. That's all. 'Twas just an egg, and the phenix laid the egg. That's all."—Success Magazine.

THE ESKIMO.

He Has No Master and Is Absolutely Independent.

There are no chieftains in the Eskimo community. They all regard themselves as free men, with an equal right to hunt, fish, sleep and eat. Everybody shifts for himself. He is absolutely and unconditionally independent. His only ambition is to be a good hunter and to rear sons who will inherit his skill with lance and harpoon. He has helped himself against the elements for centuries, and the white man descending on his shores ostensibly to confer the blessings of civilization has never been able to improve his condition, but only to detract from the old time happiness and advantages of the aboriginal Eskimo community. The natural helpfulness of the Eskimo is

the basis of the socialistic state in which he lives. He will risk his life to save that of another, even his enemy. He will share the spoils of the hunt with his neighbors. If his neighbor dies and his wife is left alone with children he will provide for her until she marries again. He does not slander or tell tales; he does not abuse any one, and he does not fight. He is a man of peace. He loves peace for its own sake, and his life is one long, laborious attempt at happiness for himself and his people.—Chicago Chronicle.

How the Katydid Sings.

Everybody is familiar with the rasping notes known as the katydid's "song." It is the male only that is capable of emitting the well known sounds, and he does it in a most peculiar manner. His "vocal organs" are at the base of his wings and consist of two flat excrecences of thin, dry membrane. It is the rubbing of these two membranous plates together which produces the "song." If your shoulder blades were so loosely put together that one could be slipped under the other and the underside of one and the upper side of the other were so rough that the operation of slipping them past each other would cause a rasping sound you could imitate the katydid's musical efforts very nicely.

Why There Are So Many Smiths.

At the time of the adoption of surnames every artisan whose work required the striking blows on metal was known as a smiter or smith, and the community therefore had its blacksmith, whitesmith, goldsmith, silversmith, arrowsmith and several others of the same character. The number of Smiths of the present day may therefore be readily accounted for when we remember that each of the different kinds of smiths was as much entitled to the use of his trade name for a cognomen as any other artisan. John the blacksmith and John the coppersmith were both known as John the smith, an appellation which naturally resolved itself into the family name of John Smith.

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